

**Gallatin 4-H Unlimited Leaders Council Meeting
Valley Bank, Belgrade
January 13, 2009**

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 pm by President Brenda Townsend. The American pledge and the 4-H pledge were said. Roll call was 'what is your favorite pastime'. Members present were Brenda Townsend, Laura Lee Harvey, Scott Francis, Ginny Francis, Leia Miller, Kathy Cheney, Faith Poet, Betsy Heckel, and Karissa Woienksi. Guests present were Sonja Berg, and Brad & Renae Cline.

Secretary Report: Leia motioned to approve, seconded by Betsy. Approved.

Treasurers Report: Kathy motioned to approve, seconded by Betsy. Approved.

Guest Presentations:

Karissa thanked the Council for sending her to Nationals. She reported about her trip, things she saw while there, and answered questions. She was asked by Ginny to speak to cloverbuds. Karissa also mentioned speaking to the Jr. Leaders and to the other clubs to share her experiences.

Public Comment: Sonja Berg reported that the Horse Committee bill at the fairgrounds is paid. There should be a credit of \$400+ after all credits are applied.

Committee and Leaders Reports:

Bar J Wranglers: Scott reported show sold out and thanked all that helped with the show. Sponsors of the show felt it was very organized and well put on. Plans are already underway for next years show. There are 2 guaranteed sponsors lined up for next years show. Tentative date of January 9, 2010. Suggestions and recommendations were discussed. Scott thanked everyone for letting them (Scott & Ginny) handle the show. Thank you ads to sponsors scheduled for Sunday (Jan 18th) paper. Scott asked for a motion to finish to 2009 show and start planning the 2010 show. Kathy motioned to let the Francis' continue planning the Bar J Wrangler show, seconded by Betsy. Approved.

Bylaw Committee: Next meeting date Tuesday, February 18th, 2009. Work in progress.

Old Business:

Road Sign: Kathy reported no new information at this time.

Apparel: Betsy discussed pins and apparel. Hats/visors. Jr. Leaders would like sweatshirts. Discussion on possible contest to design emblem or vote on what is wanted; make a poll on-line for what people want. Will revisit at next meeting.

Food Drive: Faith reported that 630 lbs. of food was collected for the food bank. Bolt was shown and all kids participating were given free tickets to the movie. It was mentioned to have a summer food drive. Will revisit at later date.

Albertson's Preferred Card: Faith let everyone know that your card number is at the top of your receipt each time it is used. For those who do not know your actual card number it can be linked this way.

Legislative Breakfast: To date there are 14 people attending from Gallatin County. Discussion of matching shirts for those attending. Ginny motioned to use \$200 from Leader Training (Legislative Breakfast) and \$250 from Member Scholarships (Legislative Breakfast) to help cover expenses for the people attending, Betsy seconded. Approved.

Capitol Christmas Tree: Betsy brought pictures showing the capitol tree that Gallatin 4-H contributed to.

Grants and Scholarships:

Received a request from swine for a canopy that could be used for showing pigs. There was discussion on size. Canopy can be used by all 4-H groups as well. Kathy motioned to approve and forward to Foundation, seconded by Leia. Approved.

New Business:

Budget: Form committee for policies and procedures. Producing pie charts for better ability to see income and expense. Several requests for local leader training. Setting guidelines for travel expenses for leaders.

Fair planning & Awards Committee: Meeting February 17, 2009 at 6:30 at the office.

\$4-\$40-\$400: Discussion of places and dates to hold to raise \$400 for the 4-40-400 campaign. Tentative date April 4th at River Rock Community Center.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45.

Respectfully submitted, Renae Cline, Acting Secretary